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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re patent application of: )  
Oscar D. Sandlin et al. )  
Serial No. 10/656,553 )  
Filed September 6, 2003 )  
LONG-LASTING SCENTED PAINT AND )  
METHOD FOR MAKING SAME )

**DECLARATION OF Bill Oltman**

1. I herewith state my name is Bill Oltman, one of the named inventors in US Patent Application Serial Number 10/656,553 and a professional painter.
2. In April 2001, I provided painting services for a housing development entitled The Grande Reserve at Geist located at 8019 Glenway Drive, Indianapolis, Indiana 46236. My job was to paint housing units when they became vacant prior to occupancy by new tenants. I was paid a standard amount for each unit depending on the size of the unit.
3. In April 2001, I was requested to paint the walls in Unit 1601 in the housing development. I painted Unit 1601 which is a two bedroom, two bath apartment and was paid my standard charge for the painting services.
4. Despite the cleaning efforts by The Grande Reserve at Geist and despite my painting of the walls in Unit 1601, the unit had a strong cigarette smoke smell.
5. After repeated efforts, The Grande Reserve at Geist was unable to rid the unit of the cigarette smoke smell existing on the walls of the unit.

6. Prior to April 2001, I was experimenting along with Oscar D. Sandlin with developing a scented paint. In April 2001, we developed a paint by combining paint ingredients with a powder resulting in a paint with a portpouri scent.
7. The ingredients of our portpouri paint included pigment, binder, solvent, a vehicle, and the scenting agent all selected for use in paint with the ingredients mixed together to produce a scented paint. The resultant combination of ingredients provided after allowed to dry on a wall a lasting scented paint finish on the wall.
8. After I painted Unit 1601, I offered to Beverly A. Rahe who worked for The Grand Reserve at Geist to re-paint Unit 1601 for no charge with our new scented potpouri paint to see if I could eliminate the smoke smell in the unit.
9. In early April 2001, I re-painted Unit 1601, for no charge, with the new scented potpouri paint at which time the smell of smoke was eliminated from the unit.
10. Upon successfully eliminating the smell of smoke from Unit 1601 by painting the walls with the new scented paint, I along with Oscar D. Sandlin were encouraged by the results.
11. After painting Unit 1601 with the potpouri paint, we continued to experiment in developing various scents to include in the paint along with increasing the lasting effect of the scent. Likewise, we experimented in developing various textures to the paint.

I, hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and

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